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SUBJECT: REPLACEMENT OF DR. JOHN HANNAH AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
THE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL

1. A HIGHLY RELIABLE WORLD FOOD COUNCIL SECRETARIAT SOURCE SAYS THAT
WORLD FOOD COUNCIL (WFC) EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR JOHN HANNAH (U.S.) TOLD
NEWLY ELECTED WFC PRESIDENT ARTURO TANCO (PHILIPPINES) DURING THE WFC
MINISTERIAL MEETING IN MANILA IN JUNE THAT HE STILL WISHED TO RETIRE
IN SEPTEMBER. TANCO, HOWEVER, PERSUADED HANNAH TO REMAIN UNTIL THE
END OF THE YEAR, TO ALLOW TIME TO SELECT A REPLACEMENT. (COMMENT:
IN VIEW OF HANNAH'S REPEATED ACCEPTANCE OF EXTENSIONS DESPITE HIS
APPARENTLY GENUINE DESIRE TO RETIRE TO HIS FARM IN MICHIGAN,
DECEMBER 31, 1977 MIGHT BE CALLED HIS QTE LATEST FIRM DEADLINE
UNQTE).

2. TANCO REPORTEDLY TALKED OF SELECTING A LATIN AMERICAN AS THE NEXT
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR BUT SOME OTHERS STILL HOLD TO THE HOPE FOR A
DEVELOPED COUNTRY CANDIDATE--PROBABLY FROM A SMALLER INDEPENDENT
COUNTRY, E.G THE SCANDINAVIAN COUNTRIES.

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3. THE WFC SOURCE HAS HEARD NOTHING RECENTLY ABOUT THE EARLIER
CANDIDACY OF SARTAJ AZIZ (PAKISTAN), FORMER WFC
DEPUTY EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR NOW DETAILED AS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY
OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION OF THE INTERNATIONAL FUND
FOR AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT. PAKISTAN'S NOMINATION OF
HIM STILL STANDS ON THE RECORD. (COMMENT: WE TOO
HAVE HEARD NOTHING RECENTLY ABOUT AZIZ' CANDIDACY.

HIS CANDIDACY HAS FURTHER LOST FORCE BY THE ELECTION TO THE WFC
PRESIDENCY OF ARTURO TANCO, ALSO FROM AN ASIAN COUNTRY.)HOLMES

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